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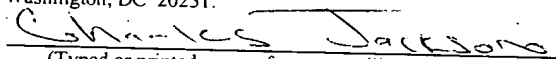
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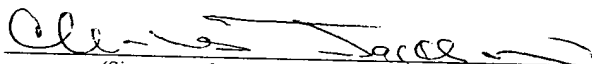
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Enclosed are copies of the publications which were cited in the International Search Report of International Application No. PCT/JP00/01273. Also enclosed is a copy of Form PTO-1449 and a copy of the International Search Report.

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